THIRD-PARTY CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION PROGRAM

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FULL SCOPE OF CONSTRUCTION INSPECTIONS

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1. INSPECTION AGENCY QUALIFICATIONS

Before an Inspection Agency is allowed to perform inspection duties under this Procedure, it shall provide the Administrator with documented evidence that it complies with the minimum requirements set forth hereafter. The Inspection Agency shall have a qualified Professional-in-charge and sufficient qualified inspectors in the inspection discipline, as established in the subsequent sections.

2. QUALIFICATIONS OF THE PROFESSIONAL-IN-CHARGE

Minimum qualifications for the engineer(s) or architect(s) serving as Professional-incharge of the certification of any part of the Project, under this Program, shall be as specified in the subsection that follows.

2.1. CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONAL-IN-CHARGE

The Registered Professional-in-Charge of the Project employed by the Inspection Agency, responsible for overseeing the performance of Construction inspection duties under this Procedure and certifying the inspection, shall demonstrate possession of any of the four (4) combinations of knowledge, certification and experience listed in the following table:

CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONAL-IN-CHARGE QUALIFICATION CRITERIA	COMBINATION 1	COMBINATION 2	COMBINATION 3	COMBINATION 4
Demonstrated knowledge of the sections of the D.C. Construction Codes pertinent to building structures and other construction features, including its administrative provisions, in particular the Building Code	√	√	√	✓
Current registration in the District of Columbia as a Professional Engineer	√			
Current registration in the District of Columbia as an Architect		✓		

CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONAL-IN-CHARGE QUALIFICATION CRITERIA	COMBINATION 1	COMBINATION 2	COMBINATION 3	COMBINATION 4
Documented minimum experience of three (3) years in the field of building design and/or construction, civil or structural engineering or construction project design and/or construction management, in a responsible capacity	>	√		
Current NCPCCI certification as Building Inspector			✓	✓
Minimum of ten (10) years of documented experience in code compliance building inspection in a jurisdiction using any of the national model codes			✓	
Documented minimum experience of six (6) years in code compliance building inspection, in a position of responsible charge, in a jurisdiction using any of the national model codes			✓	
Minimum of ten (10) years of documented experience in commercial building construction in the areas of concrete, masonry, wood or steel structures				✓
Documented minimum experience of six (6) years in the field of construction management, in a position of responsible charge at least equivalent to that of a construction foreman or of a D.C. licensed master tradesperson				✓

3. INSPECTOR QUALIFICATIONS

Minimum qualifications for inspectors engaged under this Program shall be as specified in the subsection that follows. Inspectors performing duties under this Procedure, whether employees or subcontractors of the Inspection Agency, shall perform the inspections under the direct supervision of the registered Professional-in-charge.

3.1 Construction Inspector

Any employee or subcontractor of the Inspection Agency performing Construction inspection duties under this Procedure shall demonstrate possession of any of the four (4) combinations of knowledge, certification and experience listed in the following table:

CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR QUALIFICATION CRITERIA	COMBINATION 1	COMBINATION 2	COMBINATION 3	COMBINATION 4
Demonstrated knowledge of the D.C. Building Code and other sections of the D.C. Construction Codes pertinent to the construction and systems under inspection, including its administrative provisions	√	√	√	√
Certified NCPCCI Building Inspector	✓			
Minimum of (2) years of documented experience in code compliance building inspection in a jurisdiction using any of the national model codes	√			
Minimum of four (4) years of documented experience in code compliance building inspection in a jurisdiction using any of the national model codes		√		
Minimum of three (3) years of documented experience in design of structural and/or other building systems under the direction of a registered professional engineer			√	
Minimum of two (2) years of documented experience in design of structural and/or other building systems at the level of engineer-in-training (EIT) or higher				✓